

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
MARSHALL DIVISION**

MEARS TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

V.

FINISAR CORPORATION

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Case No. 2:13-CV-376-JRG

ORDER

This case is set for a scheduling conference in Marshall, Texas on September 5, 2013 at 10:15 a.m. before the Honorable Rodney Gilstrap and the Honorable Roy Payne. The purpose of the scheduling conference will be to assign a claim construction hearing date and a trial setting. The parties shall be prepared to inform the Court whether they will consent to trial before the Magistrate Judge.

The parties shall prepare and submit a proposed docket control order and a proposed discovery order to the Court no later than two weeks after the scheduling conference.¹ These orders shall be guided by the sample docket control and discovery orders for patent cases, which can be found on the Court's website. The sample orders include provisions that require input from the parties. If the parties are unable to reach agreement on these provisions, then the parties shall submit to the Court their competing proposals along with a summary of their disagreements in a single joint submission.

The sample orders include provisions that are mandatory and are not subject to change without showing good cause. Good cause shall not be considered to be met simply by an


¹ Timely submission of the parties' proposed docket control order and proposed discovery order will be viewed by the Court as complying with the conference requirement of Rule 26(f).

indication of the parties' agreement. Should either party believe good cause can be shown to alter an otherwise mandatory provision, then such party shall file a separate motion to alter the provision after the parties have filed the proposed docket control and discovery orders with the mandatory provisions intact as previously required above.

Furthermore, it is hereby ORDERED that the following schedule of deadlines is in effect until further order of this Court:

6 Weeks After Scheduling Conference	Comply with P.R. 3-3 & 3-4 (Invalidity Contentions)
3 Weeks After Scheduling Conference	File Proposed Protective Order and Comply with Paragraphs 1 & 3 of the Discovery Order (Initial and Additional Disclosures)
2 Weeks After Scheduling Conference	File Proposed Docket Control Order, Proposed Discovery Order, and Notice of Mediator
1 Week After Scheduling Conference	Join Additional Parties
2 Weeks Before Scheduling Conference	Comply with P.R. 3-1 & 3-2 (Infringement Contentions)

So ORDERED and SIGNED this 7th day of August, 2013.


 RODNEY GILSTRAP
 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE